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NOTE: CLOSURE AREA HAS EXPANDED.
UPDATED INFORMATION IS SHOWN BELOW IN RED.

# Caltrans Plans 'Swarm Maintenance' on Westbound I-10 (Santa Monica Freeway) in Los Angeles

Multiple crews will be deployed on June 11 and June 18

LOS ANGELES — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will deploy multiple crews and community service workers for a "swarm" maintenance operation on two consecutive Sundays, June 11 and June 18, from 4 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The swarm will carry out a variety of maintenance duties on the closed, westbound collector-distributor road adjacent to Interstate 10 (the Santa Monica Freeway), west of I-110 (the Harbor Freeway).

The freeway connector from the southbound I-110 to westbound I-10 also will be closed during the swarm.

Multiple crews will be working simultaneously to remove litter and graffiti, trim trees, clear weeds, repair guardrail and irrigation, re-stripe the roadway, re-lamp overhead lights, sweep the roadway, repair pot holes, install new ramp meters and replace signs. Motorists should expect delays. Signed detours will be in place where lanes are closed.

The collector-distributor road is adjacent to I-10 and connects it to on- and off-ramps. The collector will be closed westbound from Hoover Street to Arlington Avenue during the swarm operation. The main travel lanes on the freeway will remain open during the swarm.

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The closures will occur at the following locations:

### • Connector:

Southbound I-110 to westbound I-10 connector

### Collector:

Westbound I-10 collector from Hoover Street to Arlington Avenue

### Ramps:

Southbound I-110 11th Street on-ramp

Westbound I-10 Washington Boulevard off-ramp

Westbound I-10 Hoover Street off-ramp

Westbound I-10 Hoover Street on-ramp

Westbound I-10 Vermont Avenue off-ramp

Westbound I-10 Vermont Avenue on-ramp

Westbound I-10 Normandie Avenue off-ramp

Westbound I-10 Normandie Avenue on-ramp

Westbound I-10 Western Avenue off-ramp

Westbound I-10 Western Avenue on-ramp

Westbound I-10 Arlington Avenue off-ramp

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Caltrans maintenance crews generally have only a brief closure window in locations with large amounts of traffic. By increasing the window to eight hours and placing hundreds of personnel into one closure, crews will be able accomplish several tasks all at once, reducing the need for future closures and minimizing future inconvenience for motorists.

On average, more than 340,000 vehicles a day (counting vehicles headed in either direction) travel on I-10 in the area where Caltrans will conduct the swarm maintenance.

Drivers are reminded to move over and slow down when they see crews at work. The California Highway Patrol will be on duty.

Caltrans reminds drivers to "Be Work Zone Alert" and "Slow for the Cone Zone."

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